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Box PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: New U.S. Patent Appln.
Our Ref: 381NP/50859

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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entitled: **POWER TRANSMISSION APPARATUS FOR AUTOMOBILE**

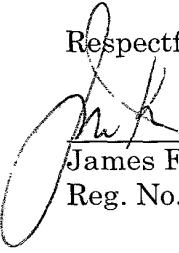
Enclosed are:

1. Specification, including 9 claims (pages 65, plus specification front page).
2. 19 Sheets of X Formal _ Informal drawings showing Figs. 1-20
3. Preliminary Amendment (18 pages).
4. X Declaration and Power of Attorney (**executed**).
5. Assignment of the invention to Hitachi, Ltd.
6. Certified copy of Priority Document 2001-184205, filed in Japan, on June 19, 2001, the priority of which is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55.
7. X Information Disclosure Statement w/ 1 reference.
8. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Basic Fee		\$370/740 = \$740.00
Total Claims	<u>9</u> - 20 = <u>0</u>	x \$9/18 = \$
Independent Claims	<u>8</u> - 3 = <u>5</u>	x \$42/84 = \$420.00
Multiple Dependent Claim Presented		\$140/280 = \$
Total Filing Fee		<u>\$1160.00</u>

Two checks in the amount of \$1160.00 for the filing fee and \$40.00 for the assignment recording fee are enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket No. 381NP/50859). A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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